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Misery as the rain pours down

ROADS across the county were closed on Friday after heavy downpours caused major routes to flood – with even more rain forecast to fall over the weekend.

The flooding caused long delays for motorists, who were warned to take extra care when making journeys.

Chaul End Lane, which runs between Luton and Caddington, was blocked in both directions during rush-hour on

Friday morning, becoming one of the most affected roads after torrential rain hammered the county overnight.

Concerned by the rising water levels, the Environment Agency issued a flood warning for the River Lea, Luton.

The alert related to the section of the river that runs through Toddington Road, Stockingstone Road and Luton Hoo.

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POLICE and Crime
Commissioner Olly Martins could face criminal charges for leaking secret information after the IPCC asked for the matter to be referred back to them for possible investigation.

In December last year, this newspaper exclusively revealed that Mr Martins was in hot water over disclosing confidential information about the death of Luton man Leon Briggs in police custody on November 4.

Last month we also reported the commissioner had been given a 'severe reprimand' and warning by the Bedfordshire Police and Crime Panel over his conduct – although the family of Mr Briggs felt stronger action should have been taken.

Luton on Sunday can now reveal that at a meeting of the crime panel on Thursday night, members were asked by the IPCC to refer the leak back to them for further investigation. They will then determine if his

actions amount to misconduct in public office.

A spokeswoman for the IPCC said: "On Tuesday the Independent Police Complaints Commission (IPCC) wrote to Bedfordshire's Police and Crime Panel directing it to record as a conduct matter an unauthorised disclosure of information about the circumstances surrounding the death of Leon Briggs."

In response Mr Martins said: "From the outset I have made it clear that I take full responsibility for my misjudgement, something that I regret immensely and for which I continue to apologise. I have also been as open as I can be, given the ongoing sensitivities, about the nature of that mistake.

"I therefore struggle to believe I will be charged with misconduct in public office, but I will nonetheless co-operate fully with any IPCC investigation in the hope that they will reach a speedy conclusion

and get back to what really matters here, which is the circumstances surrounding the tragic death of Leon Briggs."

On Tuesday night an emotional public meeting was held in Luton to mark three months since Leon's death, during which renewed calls were made for the community to remain united in seeking answers.

An IPCC investigation is still ongoing.



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'Animosity' played major part in bus service axe

BY CARL MUNGAZI
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'ANIMOSITY' between a charity chief executive officer and a council manager played a major part in the axing of a transport service, a report has suggested.

The document by councillors on the withdrawal of South Beds Dial-A-Ride (SBDAR) said 'personal animosity' between the service's CEO and Luton council's transport manager had played a major factor in a breakdown of communication.

In August last year, Dial-A-Ride announced it was ending free transport which allowed 800 elderly and disabled people to book travel to day and therapy centres and medical appointments.

At the time its CEO David Barratt said a cut in council funding meant Dial-A-Ride could

no longer continue operating, despite demand increasing over the past two years. Its removal caused controversy and was branded 'irresponsible' by council leader Hazel Simmons.

Since then, a report into its withdrawal has been published in preparation for a meeting being held tomorrow. The document identified several concerns over the ending of the service.

It says: "It does seem that a major factor in this breakdown was a personal animosity between the CEO of SBDAR and LBC's Transport Manager. The Group is concerned about an apparent lack of professionalism on both sides."

"From the LBC perspective, the Group is concerned that this situation was allowed to develop to the point of complete collapse of the relationship, without effec-

tive management intervention."

Concerns were also raised about the temporary service which has replaced Dial-A-Ride.

Mr Barratt said he would not comment until after the meeting.

Luton council said its transport manager Ken Toye was not available for interview but supplied a statement from Councillor Keir Gale, the author of the report.

He said: "As this is an important service aimed at some of Luton's most vulnerable residents, the scrutiny group's main concern is about whether there is a capacity to meet the needs of all of the customers."

"In using the word 'animosity' the group intended to convey a message that a level of disagreement about the topic existed which led to a breakdown in communication between colleagues which strained their relationship."

newsbriefs

MAN INJURED IN PARK ROBBERY

A 20-YEAR-OLD man was left with bruising to his face after an attempted robbery in Manor Park, Luton.

The man was walking through the park on Monday at 6pm when four men approached him and asked what type of phone he had, before one of the group punched him in the face.

The victim managed to run from the scene, with all of his property. Anyone with information should call PC Ben Stone on 01582 394471.

SIX-STONE SHELBY WILL BE ON TV

A SIX-STONE woman from Luton is due to appear on an episode of popular programme Supersize vs Superskinny.

The show will feature 28-stone fat and sugar junkie Lauren from Cheshire and toast nibbler Shelby, who lives in the town.

Both are young mums who clash over meals in the Feeding Clinic, hating the dreadful dishes placed in front of them.

Tune in: See Shelby on Supersize Vs Superskinny on Thursday, February 13 on Channel 4 at 8pm.

First picture of new generation Vauxhall Vivaro van is released

THE first picture of the new-look Vauxhall Vivaro van, which will be built at the Luton plant, has been released.

The new 2014 van replaces the old Vivaro, which has been in service on UK roads for 12 years.

The latest model, which is expected to arrive in the summer, boasts a fresh design, new engines and new technologies inside and out.

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Duncan Aldred, Vauxhall's Chairman and Managing Director, said: "The Luton-built Vivaro is the lynchpin of our award-winning van range and the new model will shake up the van market with its all-new design and technology."

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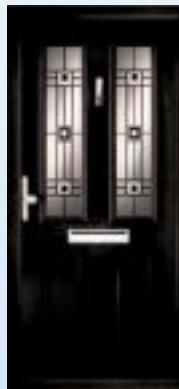
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Protestors fight for library U-turn

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CAMPAIGNERS made their feelings about the closures of two Luton libraries very clear during a further protest this week.

Wigmore and Stopsley libraries were closed last Friday due to funding cuts imposed by the council, while the mobile library service was also stopped.

Despite this, protestors are continuing to call for the facilities to be re-opened in order to provide a service for the whole town.

Doreen Steinberg, who represents Wigmore Library, said: "The council has a statutory duty to provide a service, but there has been no mitigation to provide those who made 72,000 visits a year to Wigmore, with somewhere to go."

Claire Lee, who represents Sundon Park Library, added: "My family were hoping to



PROTEST: Campaigners at Luton Central Library on Thursday

celebrate National Libraries Day on Saturday at our local library, but now that it is shut we won't be able to do that.

"This isn't the end, and we have ideas about how we can bring back a community library service for Sundon Park. I hope the community and the authority will come together and support us with any future ventures that we pursue."

Narinder Bhourlay, Director

of Libraries and Community Centres at Luton Culture said: "We realise that for some, especially older people and those with young children, losing their closest library is a huge loss, so it is important for us to ensure that everyone in Luton is still able to access library services. For this reason, our priority is to ensure every library user is aware of their nearest libraries."

BREAKING NEWS

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PCC: Deselection 'stinks'

THE deselection of a former councillor of the year 'stinks', the Police & Crime Commissioner has said.

Cllr Tafheen Sharif, who is also the deputy PCC, will not stand as one of the Labour Party's candidates for Luton council in the Dallow ward in 2015 after failing to be selected in a vote last Sunday.

PCC Olly Martins said the result showed there was a 'problem' within Luton Labour Party's internal democracy.

Last week Luton MPs Gavin Shuker and Kelvin Hopkins expressed their concern over

allegations of 'membership packing' in local Labour meetings to influence selections.

Mr Martins said Cllr Sharif had 'recently taken strong leadership' in her work with organising local drug action days and an employment fair.

He added: "Taf was also nationally recognised as Young Councillor of the Year 2012, the only time a Luton councillor has received this."

"So the residents of Dallow ward will today be scratching their heads wondering why on earth their young, dynamic, and independently-minded councillor has been uncer-

emoniously dumped by local Labour Party members.

"To me Taf's deselection, coupled with that of former finance chief Robin Harris, highlights there is a problem with our internal party democracy. Candidates are getting selected on the basis of who can round up the most votes from family members and associates rather than on merit, and it stinks."

A spokesman for the East of England Labour Party said the party was 'satisfied' all its selections were being done properly and that any suggestion otherwise was 'wrong'.



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Council looks at £25 rubbish fee

BY CARL MUNGABI

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CHARGES starting at £25 for collections of bulky rubbish could be introduced.

Luton council has said it can no longer run the collection of items such as furniture and white goods as a free service.

It is proposing a minimum £25 charge for up to three items, with a £5 fee for additional items.

The service will continue being free for properties where the head of the household receives means-tested benefits.

The authority also wants to reduce the minimum charge for the removal of fittings, garden waste and carpets from £65 to £25.

Councillors will vote on the plan tomorrow night. A council report said a charge would lead to fewer collection requests and that a 'large number' of the town's population was on benefits.

The plan has been criticised by Liberal Democrat Cllr David Franks who said it

would create a 'dumper's charter', and endanger public health as people would dump their items instead of paying the fee.

Cllr Dave Taylor, the council's environment portfolio holder, said the authority had to make savings. He also said the charges were common elsewhere in the UK.

He added: "It would be nice if Cllr Franks could come up with some constructive ways that Luton Borough Council could save money. Instead, he just criticises every move."



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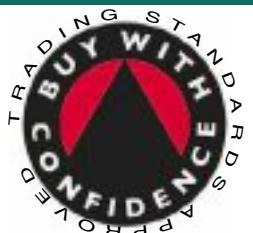
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Driver 'had time' to see woman in road

BY LAUREN ARCHELL

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A TAXI driver has pleaded guilty to causing the death of a 70-year-old woman, after striking her with his car on a pedestrian crossing.

Azam Farooq of Blenheim Crescent, Luton, admitted causing the death of Gillian Kean by driving without due care and attention, at Luton Magistrates' Court on Monday.

The court heard the collision happened at mid-

night on August 21, 2013, in Percival Way.

Ms Kean, who had just arrived from Luton Airport following a peace mission in the Middle East, had crossed from one side of the road to the central island via a pedestrian crossing in Percival Way. It was as she crossed the second half of the road that the silver Mercedes Vito hit her.

Ms Kean was taken to Luton and Dunstable Hospital, where she died from her injuries later that morning.

In interview, Farooq said that he did not see Ms Kean.

A police collision report concluded that Farooq was driving within the speed limit, which should have meant he had around 3.7 seconds to react to the fact Ms Kean was on the crossing.

As Farooq broke down in tears, his solicitor said: "She was there to be seen and he should have seen her."

Sentencing was adjourned so reports could be completed. For more, visit www.luton-dunstable.co.uk.

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Your views on 'membership-packing' claims

SIR – LUTONIANS and the Luton Labour Party in particular have been given a clear demonstration as to why democracy needs more than just a set of well-meaning rules.

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Unfortunately moral rectitude can mean different things in different cultures.

What we are currently witnessing in a handful of Luton's wards is the result of a mismatch between two cultures.

There is no written rule against 'membership packing' whereby prospective candidates temporarily sign up dozens of their friends as party members purely to vote for them.

But clearly it is outside the norms of custom and practice or



CONCERN: Luton MPs Gavin Shuker and Kelvin Hopkins have raised concerns over allegations of 'membership packing' by Labour in council wards in Luton. The practice involves people being signed up as members to influence the selection of candidates

traditional British morality.

Inconveniently for Luton South there's an election looming and the Party doesn't want to risk the negative fallout of an internal battle involving rule changes.

But I think far more

damage will be done by allowing these rigged nominations to stand than if the party bites the bullet and nullifies them.

At the same time they should introduce a rule-change requiring, say, four years of continuous membership in

order to qualify for voting rights.

This may not stop the practice of membership packing entirely but it would make it more expensive and a lot more difficult to do.

Ron Turvey,
Stanmore Crescent, Luton

SIR – IT'S a disgrace that people feel politics is all about prestige when their victory is of ill-gotten gains in buying others membership which they may not even know about.

The council have more important things to worry about like the harsh cuts that central government is imposing.

Politics should be about helping others and not simply trying to have a title on your name to impress friends.

Support to Gavin and Kelvin on being excellent MPs trying to clamp down on this behaviour whilst trying to fight for families against the Tory-led cuts.

Itzjman,

Via website

What do YOU think?
Email editor@lutononsunday.co.uk

An idea to raise funds

SIR – It has come to my attention, lately that Luton council seem to be a bit strapped for cash.

I have a possible solution to this issue, it's cheap, legal and fulfils a moral obligation.

All you have to do is send one of your lovely traffic wardens to patrol Strangers Way twice a day (term time only).

The revenue you would receive for all the parking violations could clear Luton's money problems in one term.

We all accept that money is tight and budgets cut.

But we will not accept that excuse when a child is hurt or killed.

That is unfortunately going to be very soon if something is not done.

R. Fitzgerald,
Luton

Letters are boring

SIR – Why does Ron Turvey think that six letters were sent.

He must be naive if he thinks that the editor prints all protest letters. The paper has to print many views. Ron Turvey likes to dish it out but can't take it back.

I do not know if any of the readers are like-minded, but I think his letters are becoming boring?

J Fitzsimmons,
Luton

oppose the 'game' bird business is that it is based on breeding animals on a massive scale so that they can be destroyed for pleasure.

Figures from the shooting industry itself show that it costs more than 13 times as much to rear pheasants and get them airborne than the shot birds will fetch retail. Efficient food production it is not.

It is time to follow the Dutch example and ban the production of birds for 'sport shooting'.

Andrew Tyler,
Director, Animal Aid

Adrian Pepper,
Conservative MEP Candidate for the South East.

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Recognise our carers

SIR – At some point in our lives, most of us have or will experience, what it is like to care for those close to us – a mother, a father, or someone we hold dear.

This month we celebrate Dignity Action Day. With an astonishing 1.3 million carers living across London and the South East alone, the need to recognise the efforts of those providing care is greater than ever. So, I would like to ask your readers to take a moment to consider what the term 'care' means to you.

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Stephanie Stone,
Vitalise

Deselection is a 'farce'

SIR – So you have a successful councillor (Tafheen Sharif), who is a person with integrity who has fought to improve her ward.

But now she has been 'deselected'.

What a farce.

We, the people, demand an open and public investigation on this matter.

Stuart Young,
Via e-mail

Stop shooting birds

SIR – February 1 marked the end of the pheasant and partridge shooting season.

For many people, these 'game' birds are unable to stir the emotions in the same way as a persecuted badger or a vivisected dog.

But their capacity to feel pain is equal, while the scale on which they are 'processed' and killed exceeds that of, say, egg-laying hens. Industry data suggest that around 42 million pheasants and some nine million partridges were released for shooting during the season just ended.

Having been hand-reared, the birds are ill-suited for life in the wild and some 60 per cent will die before they can be shot. They will starve, be run over, or succumb to predators.

The element that still enrages and pains those of us who

Stop 'gross violence'

SIR – A hard-hitting resolution will be put to the European Parliament this week demanding action to end the horror of female genital mutilation (FGM).

The resolution will be debated in Strasbourg on Thursday – which has been declared International Day of Zero Tolerance to FGM by the United Nations. The horror of female genital mutilation affects more than 125 million worldwide, and most victims are young children.

Conservatives in the European Parliament are demanding that EU member states must pursue, prosecute and punish any EU resident involved in the ritual cutting of the genitals of young girls. This practice is a gross



Your comments on the stories on our website this week:

Library closure protest

@DoreenSteinberg: Many thanks for your support at our protest at Wigmore Library closure on January 31.

@__RunForrestRun: Well done protesters, keep supporting. It's wrong that they are going to be closed.

Row over Dial-A-Ride

@andyc_128: Nice to see that serving the public comes way down the agenda behind a battle of egos.

@LutonMusic: Full credit to @KeirGale & Scrutiny team for independently reporting factors leading to loss of this service. Public minded!

@KeirGale: Thanks Martin. It was a cross party review so thanks are due to Lib Dem and Tory colleagues.

Tafheen deselected

@LutonEye: It's probably her association with our hapless photo opportunistic PCC that has got her deselected, Ollie...

McFly Harry at Keech

@karanlocke68: My daughter was there & loved seeing Harry.

Poynters Rd cameras

@masekwm: Brilliant, lets all watch our speedos whilst driving through a residential area.

Burglar carried knife

Kerry Hills - Why release so late? People won't remember two weeks ago. These things should be released asap to the public when they have things fresh in their mind.

Our most read online

- Bedfordshire PCC Olly Martins says deselection of Luton councillor Tafheen Sharif 'stinks'

- Van diver dies following collision on Hitchin Road in Luton

- 'Animosity' between Luton council manager and Dial-a-Ride CEO a 'major' factor in service withdrawal, says report

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Traffic lights in town can make me see red

D RIVING in any town in this day and age has become something of a nightmare. First thing in the morning and at the end of the working day are the worst with most of us sitting for ridiculous amounts of time in our cars moving at a snail's pace through the town.

Walk or get a bus you may say, which is a fair point but as I am often travelling from further afield and none of the buses go where I want to go, that is not generally an option.

Looking at the empty buses driving through the town they don't appear to go where anyone wants to go.

Bus lanes full of empty buses hardly helps the commute through town.

However I am more convinced than ever that the sheer weight of traffic isn't the only, or even the main, cause of this problem.

I believe that the culprits or at least the biggest contributors are our traffic lights. I would like to know if there is one set in the county that is properly configured to cope with the traffic. Where I live it takes me up to four minutes to get onto the main road if the lights are on red and then I have a few seconds to try to nip out into

the traffic vying for position with people driving out of the opposite driveway who have the same few seconds as me.

Road rage is a regular occurrence at this spot so it is fortunate that the hospital is not far away. It is nigh on impossible to get out of this junction at peak time without contravening the law by clogging up the yellow box. Unfortunately if I didn't do this I would probably still be waiting at there at lunchtime.

Other drivers on the main road often show great patience until the lights turn amber, then rush forward to gain those few extra yards and a few extra seconds.

Further into the town on the main roads this gets much worse with traffic straddling across lanes, blocking yellow boxes and shooting red lights often out of desperation to just get into a stream of traffic moving in the right direction due to lights being out of sync.

One of the worst offenders is coming into Luton on the

main Bedford Road, where traffic can sit in considerable queues for minutes at a time to let out just one car from a side street. Certainly more understandable if this was restricted to peak times but as someone who has sat numerous times recently in queues of traffic there on a Sunday afternoon my tolerance levels are dropping fast. Also some lights are completely out of sync.

On one main road they were green for less than five seconds and yet remained red for more than 30. And I was on the main road and the busiest road.

My normal serenity was fraying rapidly.

And where have all the roundabouts gone?

Surely they are a better way of managing traffic and keeping it moving.

So please can we ask the council to take some time and work out the co-ordination and timings of our traffic lights.

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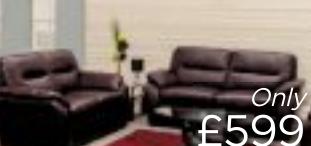
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Students get polar music workshop

A SINGER-SONGWRITER who has performed in Antarctica gave a music workshop to students this week.

Folk-rock guitarist Jake Wilson went to Luton Sixth Form College to tell students about Captain Robert Scott's expedition there a century ago.

Jake has written five songs about the trip and played there last year in the same hut where the expedition group prepared for their final journey.

He performed his songs to the students and talked about his own trip.

'100 days on we have no answers'

BY LAUREN ARCHELL

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AN EMOTIONAL public meeting was held this week to mark three months since the death of Luton man Leon Briggs.

The 39-year-old died in the custody of Bedfordshire police after being restrained and detained under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act on November 4, 2013.

With an investigation by the Independent Police Complaints Commission

(IPCC) into the circumstances surrounding Leon's death still ongoing, the meeting on Tuesday night called for the community to remain united in seeking answers about Leon's death and answered questions about 'Leon's Law' - a proposal for it to become compulsory for frontline police officers to film any interaction with the public by using a body-worn video camera.

Speaking in Luton's council chamber, a representative for

the Briggs family, Cyril Mitchell, said: "It is coming close to 100 days since Leon was taken from us and still we know no more."

Also at the meeting were Marcia Rigg, whose brother Sean tragically died in police custody in 2008, and film maker Ken Fero, who has produced a number of documentaries on the subject of deaths in police custody.

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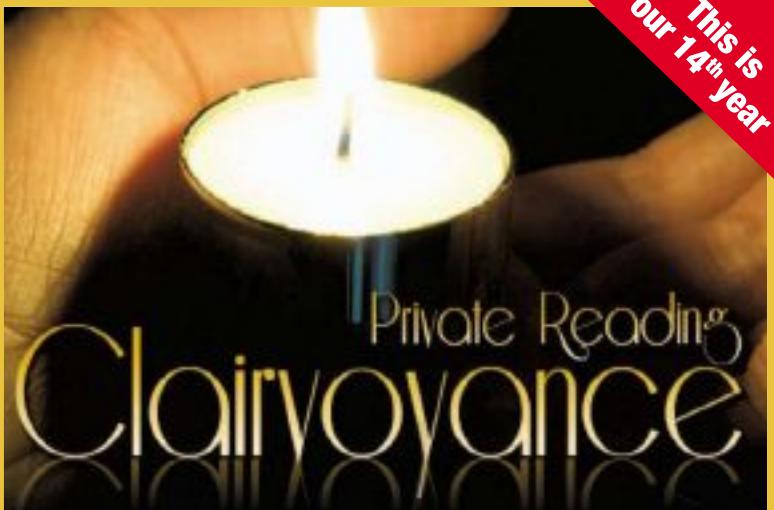
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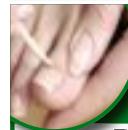


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PRACTICE:
Amir said
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He said: "If somebody had seen their faces when they were told they had passed – they were over the moon."

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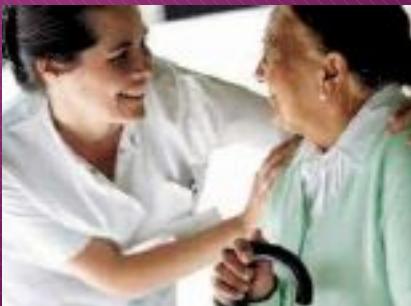
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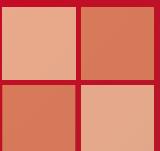
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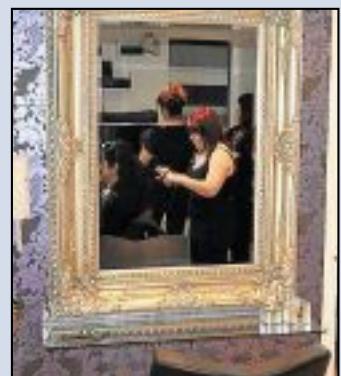
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MEETING: The group discussed best practice in Luton

German visitors see centre's good practice

A CHANCE meeting has led to children's centres in Luton sharing their good practice with 12 special visitors from Hannover.

After spotting the sign for the Redgrave Children and Young People's Centre when visiting the town, Heike Totz asked if she could return with colleagues from a centre in Germany.

On Thursday the group were given a tour of the £6m centre and discussed the differences between the facilities in Luton and Hannover.

Authority to look at one-way road

BY LAUREN ARCHELL

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CENTRAL Bedfordshire Council have vowed to speak to police about enforcing a troublesome one-way traffic system in Dunstable.

Last week, *Luton on Sunday*, revealed that drivers have been flouting the one-way system in Tavistock Street, and one motorist has had his vehicle hit four times by people driving the wrong way.

Other residents took to

Facebook to share their own experiences on the road.

Katrina Peacham said: "Most days of the week I meet cars going the wrong way down Tavistock Street", while Emily Cooksey added: "It is a regular problem and eight out of 10 times I go down there someone is coming down it the wrong way."

Responding to the comments, Central Beds councillor Brian Spurr, said: "One-way streets are enforced by the police but over the past few years we have done what

we can to make sure drivers abide by the one-way rules, including installing planters as a physical way to show that the road is one way.

"These planters were unfortunately stolen.

"We do sympathise with residents who are being affected by those driving illegally and irresponsibly.

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PCSO shone laser at police helicopter

BY JULIA SUTTON

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A POLICE Community Support Officer (PCSO) has been given a community order after being caught shinning a laser pen into a force helicopter as it hovered 800-feet above his home late at night.

James McIvor, 53, of Icknield Way, Luton, was sentenced to a two-year community order, 240 hours of unpaid work and told to pay prosecution costs of £3,500.

McIvor, who had been a PCSO with British Transport Police (BTP) since 2008, dazzled the police helicopter crew with the beam from his pen and the pilot was forced to take evasive action, turning the helicopter 180 degrees "out of harms way".

When the crew's colleagues on the ground eventually traced the source of the light, they found McIvor still outside his home.

He claimed he was using the laser to attract the attention of his elderly cat that was on top of a garage.

On February 4, Luton Crown Court heard McIvor now faces a disciplinary



LASER PEN: PCSO James McIvor

hearing in front of his bosses at BTP later this month.

He appeared at court for sentence after he was convicted by a jury before Christmas of acting in a negligent manner to endanger the safety of an aircraft.

Judge Philip Bartle told McIvor that when the green laser light struck the cockpit of the helicopter at around 1.15am on the morning of May 20 last year, the pilot had been temporarily blinded by the glare and couldn't rely on

his instruments. Instead he had to look out of the window to manoeuvre the helicopter to safety.

Judge Bartle said: "If a pilot is blinded by light he can't steer it into position; he might not know if he is the right way round."

He added: "As the pilot said, he had to have his wits about him."

The court was told a police helicopter, an EC 135 with a crew of three on board, had been deployed over the Marsh Farm estate in Luton in the early hours of May 20 following reports that a firearm had been discharged. At the time there had been a spate of shootings in the area.

At McIvor's trial, he was acquitted of a charge of recklessly endangering the safety of an aircraft.

Martin Robertshaw, defending, said his client faces a disciplinary hearing in front of his bosses later this month.

He said: "There is a substantial risk he will lose everything."

The court also heard McIvor was highly regarded by colleagues and friends and had devoted his life to working in the community.

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A dream comes true for Logan, 10

A YOUNG boy was stunned when Keech Hospice Care arranged for a pair of penguins to visit him this week.

Ten-year-old Logan Matthews, who suffers with Lennox Gastaut syndrome, has always loved the black and white birds and has pictures of them on his bedroom.

Knowing that one of the things on Logan's wish list was to see some penguins up close, Keech arranged for Charlie and Smiley to come to the Luton facility, with a little help from the national charity Rays of Sunshine.

It was plain to see that Logan was clearly delighted with the surprise and smiled as the Humboldt penguin pair waddled around the garden, before giving Charlie a gentle stroke as he sat on his lap.

After the real animals left, Logan received a penguin cuddly toy, which he showered in kisses.

Logan's mum, Alison Matthews, said: "It's magical, it's a wish a hundred times over."

Meeting real-life penguins was a dream of poorly youngster Logan Matthews. This week it came true at Keech Hospice

"You could see on his face, proper, genuine smiles, and that was because he wanted to smile."

"This is such a special day and I will certainly never forget it."

"It is Logan's day, and this is all just for him."

"Logan has always loved penguins and we think it is because they are black and white and are easy to spot."

Alison, who lives in Elstow, also explained how important Keech Hospice is for her family.

"Keech is the one place where I am allowed to be a mum, not a carer," she said.

"Logan can't go to school, so this is where he can interact with other children and I can watch him have fun."

"It is one day a week I can go out with him and do things with him, and know he is safe."

"Keech's support is vital to my whole family, Logan, me, Logan's dad, Jon, and his 16-year-old sister Chezka."

Jennie Collier from Keech added: "We knew that Alison was creating a bucket list and one of the things on the list was to see the penguins."

"As Logan has a poor immune system and is only usually awake for one hour of the day, a trip to the zoo is made very difficult."

"So I contacted Rays of Sunshine, a charity which grants wishes to life-limiting conditions, and we arranged for the penguins to come here to see him."

"Logan's reaction was amazing and he thoroughly enjoyed himself, which is what it was all about."

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There is still time to nominate top talent!

BY LAUREN ARCHELL
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THE Luton Sports Awards need you! The deadline to nominate a deserving local sports star has been extended by a week – so now there is no excuse not to get involved.

The prestigious ceremony, which is organised by the Luton Sports Network and supported by Luton Borough Council and *Luton on Sunday*, aims to recognise the success of sports men and women in the town.

The Luton Sports Network has been established for more than 30 years and is a voluntary body, which promotes and encourages sport and physical activity within the town.

Nominations for the Luton Sports Awards will be accepted from anyone, including members of the nominee's family or club.

However, you must ensure that full details about the individual or team are put on the nomination form at the time of entry, as the judges decisions will be based entirely upon this.

Luton Sports Network will



STAR: Sabrina Bakare was Young Sports Woman of the Year 2012

accept nominations for sports people, teams or clubs who reside in the borough or whose home team or club venue is located within the town.

The nomination should prove that the individual or team has achieved outstanding performances, shown outstanding ability or major improvement in their sport, given service to sport or promoted sport or influenced members of the community to take up sport. The nomination form, which can be found at www.

lutonsportsnetwork.co.uk should now be returned by Monday, February 17.

The form can be sent to Luton Sports Awards, c/o Active Luton, Wigmore Hall, Eaton Green Road, Luton LU2 9JB, or emailed to c.robins@sky.com.

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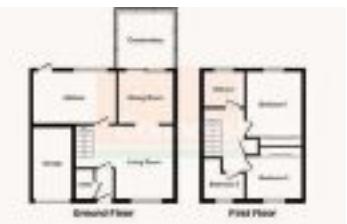
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Situated on a sleepy cul-de-sac off Laxton Close on the outskirts of Wigmore with Hertfordshire country views is this 3 bedroom semi-detached house offered in good condition.

Situated on a prestigious road within Wigmore, is this very attractive 3 bedroom link detached house offered for sale with a conservatory and No Onward Chain.

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ROUND GREEN

£250,000

Tastefully modernised with quality fittings, is this spacious detached 4 bedroom bungalow.

ROUND GREEN

£405,000

In a rarely available location, is this deceptively large 3 bedroom property in Felstead Way. Must be viewed.

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Connells News

Local agent promoted after successful year

Local estate agency Connells is delighted to announce the promotion of Vincenzo Stamato to the position of Area Director, effective immediately. Vincenzo, who was previously Area Partner for Connells, received his new title after a very busy and successful year in 2013.

Vincenzo started working for Connells in 1995 when he joined the company as a sales negotiator in Dunstable. Since then he has risen through the ranks and now looks after Connells' offices in Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire. Over the last year Vincenzo has seen the housing market in these areas go from strength to strength. Indeed January has already been a record-breaking month for home sales nationwide.

"I am delighted to be promoted to the position of Area Director," says Vincenzo. "Connells' offices in the area which I cover have performed brilliantly this year. The dedication and hard work of the teams is great to be part of. It is a proud achievement for me to have been promoted and I thank every team in my area for their support."

The local property market has seen a real influx of interested buyers in the past 12 months and Vincenzo feels that 2014 could be one of the busiest years in a decade: "The interest from buyers locally has been wonderful to see, we now need people to start selling their homes in order for supply to meet demand. House prices are rising and buyers are flooding the market so there couldn't be a better time to sell your property."

Keen to get a message out to potential house sellers, Vincenzo stressed the importance of people getting in contact with your Connells branch if they are interested in selling their

home: "Our teams are well established and experienced. We pride ourselves on delivering first-class customer service. If you are thinking of moving home or selling then please get in touch."

In order to celebrate this, Vincenzo is offering a special offer for the month of February, where you will receive a £500 discount on Connells standard fees when mentioning his promotion at the point of instruction. (Applicable to new instructions for February only).

If you have a property to sell and would like to arrange a free market appraisal with Connells, please call the Luton branch on 01582 450999 or email: luton@connells.co.uk



Vincenzo Stamato

"I am delighted to be promoted to the position of Area Director"



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Studham Village

£550,000

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North Dunstable Location

£235,000

Connells are pleased to offer for sale this immaculate town house in the new development located in North Dunstable. This home boasts 3 double bedrooms, ensuite to master, 2 W/C's, lounge, kitchen, integral garage, rear garden, off street parking for 1 car. This home also has 8 years NHBC guarantee and is offered with NO UPPER CHAIN!! Call 01582 661265 today to avoid disappointment

Priory Location

£249,995

DO NOT MISS THIS!! This 3 bedroom extended family home is ideal for anyone looking for that something extra! offers parking for 5-6 vehicles, garage, 3 bedrooms, bathroom with thermostatic/steam room shower, lounge, kitchen/diner, front and rear gardens with HOT TUB!

East Dunstable Location

£234,995

Family home that offers everything if not more from a 3 bedroom semi detached property? The property consists of entrance hall, downstairs shower room, lounge/diner, fitted kitchen, utility room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, loft space, front and rear gardens, parking and double garage

Priory Location

£169,995

Connells are pleased to offer for sale this Newly Refurbished 2 Bedroom Traditional property located in the Priory Area, comprises of Entrance Hall, Lounge/ Diner, Fitted Kitchen, 2 Double Bedrooms, Bathroom, The property also benefits from having No Upward Chain

East Dunstable Location

£215,000

Immaculate 2 bedroom chalet bungalow in close proximity of local amenities and easy access to M1 motorway, briefly consists of lounge/dining room, re-fitted kitchen, family bathroom, 2 double bedrooms, study area, driveway and garage, front and rear gardens

Central Dunstable

£225,000

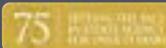
Connells are happy to present this charming 3 bedroom property located in the sought after Priory location. This home consists of 3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge, front and rear gardens, driveway for 2 vehicles, garage to side

Bidwell Hill Area

£225,000

WOW!! This 2 bedroom detached bungalow is internally one of the best you will see!! The property consists of entrance hall, kitchen, lounge, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, conservatory, rear garden, garage and driveway parking for upto 5/6 vehicles, also situated in a quiet cul de sac location

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Leathwaite

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Browning Road

£214,995

An immaculate semi detached property situated in the Poets area of Luton. Briefly comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, utility room, dining room, three bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens and off road parking. No upper chain. Early viewing advised to avoid disappointment.

Watermead

£215,000

Situated in the sought after Limbury Mead area of Luton this semi detached property briefly comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, bathroom, garage with driveway providing off road parking for three vehicles and a rear garden.

Copenhagen Close

£141,995

Situated in Marsh Farm in Luton this mid terraced property briefly comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, lounge/diner, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, Front and rear gardens and a garage.

Coverdale

£116,995

An ideal first time buy situated in the Tophill area of Luton. This cluster house is well presented throughout and briefly comprises entrance area, lounge, kitchen, one bedroom, bathroom, and a rear garden. Offered with no upper chain.

Beadlow Road

£154,995

Offered with no upper chain this mid terrace property is situated in the Lewsey Farm area of Luton. Briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, lean to, three bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens.

Shelley Road

£164,995

Situated within close proximity to a mainline train station and hospital this mid terraced property briefly comprises entrance hall, lounge/diner, kitchen, three bedrooms, bathroom, driveway and rear garden. Offered with no upper chain.

Goldcrest Close

£137,500

An ideal first time buy situated in the popular Birds area of Luton. Briefly comprising entrance porch, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms, bathroom, front and rear gardens and a garage. Early viewing advised to avoid disappointment.

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Durler Gardens

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New Bedford Road

£500,000

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Wychwood Avenue

£280,000

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Kirby Drive

£325,000

4 Bedroom extended detached property with ample living space and four good size bedrooms, master with en suite. The property sits on a corner plot and offers kitchen breakfast room, dining room, lounge, cloakroom, garage, front, side and rear gardens

Cranleigh Gardens

£240,000

Early viewing's recommended on this 3 bedroom semi detached property located just off of the New Bedford Road. An ideal family home with 2 reception rooms, fitted kitchen, parking to front and rear garden. The property also benefits from having a garage.

The Furrows

£230,000

No Chain!! This well proportioned 3 bedroom bungalow is situated in the very popular warden hills in a quiet cul de sac. With a garage and driveway and mature garden, this property has the whole package

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£320,000

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£325,000

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George Osborne has warned that Britain's housing shortage is likely to persist for at least 10 more years. The chancellor insisted the coalition's controversial planning shakeup was having a positive effect, and played down fears of a property bubble.

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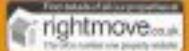


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Garden	
1 off road	

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3	
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Private rear	
1 garage(s)	

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Price £285,000

Within this most popular location and offered with no upper chain. With a large secluded garden. Call now to view. EPC Rating - D

3	
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1	
Large garden	
1 garage(s)	

WEST LUTON



Price £149,995

Bay fronted semi detached home offered with no upper chain complications. Ready to view now. EPC Rating - D

2	
1	
2	
Garden	
1 off road	

LEAGRAVE



Price £139,995

Three bedroom terrace offered with no upper chain. Ideal buy to let investment or first purchase. Large garden and garage also EPC Rating - E

3	
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Large garden	
1 garage(s)	

BRAMINGHAM



Price £159,995

An end of terraced home overlooking a large green. The house has the added benefit of no upper chain complications EPC Rating - TBC

3	
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Garden	
1 off road	

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1	
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Communal	
1 off road	

LEAGRAVE



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2	
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Garden	
1 off road	

LEAGRAVE



£650 Per month

Refurbished First floor maisonette Available Now Unfinished close to Leagrave Train Station. GCH & Own Garden. EPC Rating D

2	
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Small garden	

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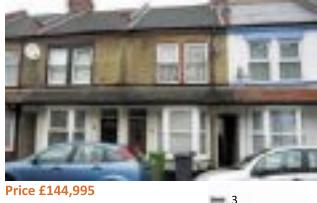


£675 Per month

Refurbished two bedroom flat in excellent condition. Available Now. White Goods. Close to L & D Hospital & Motorway. EPC Rating D

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Courtyard	

SOUTH LUTON



Price £144,995

Ideal buy to let or first purchase in this bay fronted terrace close to Luton town centre. Offered with no upper chain complications EPC Rating TBC

3	
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SUNDON PARK



Price £134,950

Ideal first time buy or investment purchase offered with no upper chain. Located within walking distance of Leagrave station. EPC Rating E

3	
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Small garden	
2 off road	

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BRAMINGHAM



Price £132,000

End of terrace offered with no upper chain complications. With a modern kitchen and full double glazing throughout EPC Rating - D

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- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- White Goods
- Family Bathroom
- EPC Rating E



LIMBURY

One Bed Flat

- Reception Room
- White Goods
- Double Glazing
- Driveaway
- EPC - C



LEAGRAVE

£470 pcm

Studio Flat

- Furnished
- White Goods
- Close To M1
- Available Now
- EPC - C



LEAGRAVE

£825 pcm

Three Bed Semi

- Unfurnished
- White Goods
- Back Garden
- Garage
- Gas Heating
- Double Glazing



ROUND GREEN

Three Bed Bungalow

- Large Reception
- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- Available March
- EPC Rating D



TOWN CENTRE

Two Bed Flat

- Close to Town
- Roof Terrace
- Double Glazing
- White Goods
- EPC - C



TOWN CENTRE

£550 pcm

One Bed Flat

- Close To Station
- Electric Heating
- Double Glazed
- Fitted Kitchen
- EPC - C



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Meyrick Avenue £169,995

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- Driveway & Rear Garden

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The Pygtle £160,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Garden

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Talbot Road £159,995

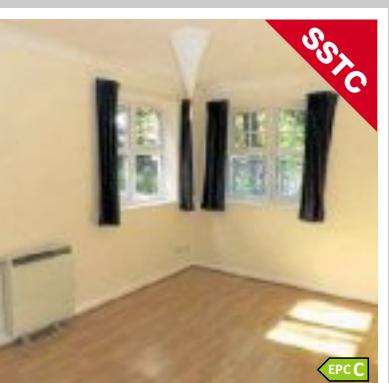
- Spacious 1900's Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Rear Garden

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Ailsworth Road £285,000

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- Garden
- Off Road Parking



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Carnegie Gardens £260,000

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Alder Crescent £210,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- 25ft Lounge/Diner
- 15ft Extended Kitchen



Blundell Road £190,000

- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Presented in Good Condition
- Large Rear Garden



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Luton's home buyers
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- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Generous Rear Garden
- Parking



Catsbrook Road £160,000

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Dunstable with buyers for properties like
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Florence Avenue £155,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Bathroom with Four Piece Suite



Gilderdale £150,000

- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Living Room & Dining Room
- Front & Rear Gardens



Acworth Crescent £145,000

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Burges Close £190,000

- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Garage
- Gardens



→ EPC D



Bidwell Hill £170,000

- Terraced Property
- Two Bedrooms
- One Reception Room
- Garden
- Off Road Parking



NEW
INSTRUCTION

→ EPC D



Wedgewood Road £130,000

- Terraced Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens



Poynters Road £190,000

- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Garage

→ EPC C



Milton Way £170,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking
- No Onward Chain



Tithe Farm Road £150,000

- Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Garden
- Off Road Parking

NEW
INSTRUCTION

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St. Christophers Close £325,000

- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Three Bathrooms
- Granny Annexe



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Linden Road £210,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Private Rear Garden
- Parking



→ EPC E

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Kirby Drive £260,000

- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Garage
- Off Road Parking



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Farley Hill £210,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Extended Kitchen
- Four Piece Family Bathroom
- Garden



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Marlborough Road £335,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Sought After Location
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Detached Garage & Parking



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Tennyson Road £250,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Three Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Front & Rear Gardens



EPC D



St. Pauls Road £190,000

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Loft Room
- Garden & Parking
- Similar Required



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Warren Road £155,000

- Terraced House
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen/Diner
- Rear Garden
- Close to Amenities

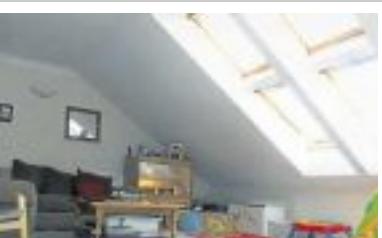


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Princess Lodge £145,000

- Duplex Apartment
- Two Bedrooms
- 23ft Living Area
- Double Glazing
- Allocated Parking



EPC D



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Beaconsfield £209,995

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- Three Bedrooms
- One Reception Room
- Garden & Garage
- Off Road Parking



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Eaton Green Road £187,500

- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Rear Garden
- Garage
- Off Road Parking



EPC D



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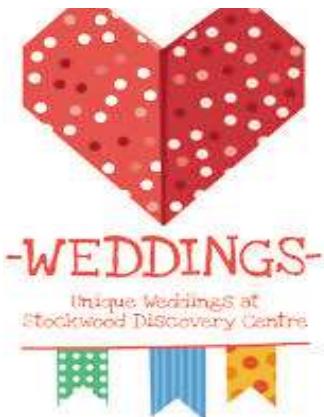
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DANCE

The Grove Theatre, Dunstable
April 10

LAST year, Strictly Come Dancing's Pasha Kovalev and ex-Strictly dancer Katya Virshallis performed at the Grove as part of their nationwide dance tour.

They are back again this April and CARL MUNGAZI spoke to Katya about what the pair have in store for the town this time.

Q: You're bringing your show to the Grove in April again. How was it last year?

A: Last time at the Grove was great. We absolutely love bringing the show to all the different parts of the country and seeing the audience enjoying such an intimate show.

Q: What can the audience expect this year?

A: Every year we have a different theme, and this year it's 'the best of Strictly'. On Strictly – as the viewers know – they have different weeks like 'rock week', 'broadway week' and 'movie week', so we wanted to bring it all and put it in an amazing two-hour spectacular show with different styles, genres, and music.

Q: How do you prepare for such a show?

A: This is what we do. We're choreographers and professional dancers, and we've done Strictly for so many years. For us this is second nature, and you train, you rehearse, you put it together, you research, and you just go out and have fun with it.

Q: Do you think you will ever return to Strictly for another season?

A: Well, you never know. Pasha and I work with Strictly doing the P&O cruises and you're always a part of the family with Strictly.

If there is a re-union show would I rule it out? No, not at all. I would like to do something like that again but definitely not a full season.

Q: How has your career progressed since leaving Strictly in 2012?

A: Before I started doing Strictly I was doing a lot of acting, and I took a break from dancing.

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But I have been doing more dance-related projects. Of course doing something like Strictly opens a lot of doors for you and we are so lucky to be doing our third tour now.

It's the best thing ever because you're your own boss, we get to dance whatever we want, use the music we want and design our costumes. So that kind of job is a dream come

true and that's because we've done Strictly.

Q: You've been doing the tour for three years now. How do you keep the routines fresh and keep yourself motivated?

A: You keep the routine fresh because there's new music, so when there's new music... there's new inspiration!

The music is really what inspires us and you

keep it fresh because every show has a different audience. We want to give people their money's worth and entertain them.

Q: Do you have any favourite dances that will always be in the show?

A: We put all the dances in our show. There is a bit of Ballroom, Charleston, Latin, Swing – so it's a mix of everything.

Q: In every show you do, you dance with children from local dance companies. How important is this for their development?

A: It's very important to give young kids a chance to perform on a professional platform.

When I was a kid I remember when you have a show you get excited about it, and you work harder in rehearsals. It's so lovely to meet all the local dance schools that perform with us. They are so excited and want to dance, and I see myself in them when I was young.

Q: And finally, who is Katya outside of dancing?

A: I'm an actress and I like writing, but the production of a tour takes up a lot of time, so for the last three months I have been working on the tour – it's a year-round job.

Q: What kind of films do you see yourself featuring in?

A: I think as an actress you grow as a person but I'd love to do comedies in Cameron Diaz-like roles.

I want to do what I love, I don't think it has to be a certain type of project but maybe not Shakespeare. I don't think I'll be able to do Shakespeare!

Q: What kind of things are you writing?

A: I really want to write a movie about the dance world.

Q: Will this be 'behind the scenes' type of filming?

A: Well, I don't know, I don't want to give anything away. It's my secret!

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Universally recognised, observational comedy is her thing.

Subjects she dwells on range from embarrassing her son by talking street slang to fat girls stretching out clothes in shops to sex.

Glenda is the only female act on the bill in The Afro Comedy Show, a big Valentine's special taking place this Saturday up the A6 in Bedford.

The line-up includes Kevin J – nominated for the Black Tie Comedy Awards, allegedly boozed offstage at an awards night a couple of years ago and, patently, not black.

But all the rest of the acts are.

Besides Glenda Jaxson there's Toju, The Militant Black Guy from Channel 4's Balls of Steel, Ping Wing and Chrissay Comedian.

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Written by Judy Riley.



911 boys back for more

MUSIC

Gordon Craig Theatre, Stevenage
March 30, 7.30pm

BOY band 911 are back with a new album following ITV 2's 'The Big Reunion' concert last year which re-united a host of 90s pop acts.

The band, comprising of Lee Brennan on lead vocals and Jimmy Constable and Spike Dawbarn on backing vocals, will be playing in Stevenage as part of their new UK tour.

Tomorrow sees the release of 911's new song, 'I Do', brought out just in time for Valentine's Day.

'I Do' is the second single from 911's

comeback album 'Illuminate – the Hits and More', and it follows the band's release of their hit '2 Hearts 1 Love'.

Jimmy takes over the lead vocals for the first time ever in their symphonic love song 'I Do' as the boys try to sing their way to the top of the Newlyweds playlist chart.

The band begins touring next month and their new material has been described by some critics as 'anthemic' and 'lifting', and has led to them receiving comparisons with other well-known, established groups.

During last year's Reunion concert, 911 played alongside B*Witched, Five, Honeyz, Atomic Kitten, Liberty X, and Blue to 100,000 people, signalling the nostalgic popularity of

90s' pop bands.

Between 1995-2000 the trio sold ten million albums around the world, and this will be their first live tour since 1999.

'The Illuminate – The Hits and More' tour will take in 15 dates around the UK and will see the boys perform all their greatest hits, including 'Bodyshakin', 'The Journey', 'More Than A Woman', 'Don't Make Me Wait', plus some brand new songs such as the new single, '2 Hearts 1 Love', taken from their new album.

Tickets for the show cost between £23 and £21 and VIP seats are £56. These include a meet-and-greet, and front block seats.

For ticket bookings call the box office on 01438 363200.

Get 'hands-on' at Wardown Park Museum

THIS coming Saturday, a brand new weekly event is being launched at Wardown Park Museum.

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Each week the museum will be searching its stores and bringing out objects for people to see and handle, many of which have never been on display.

Saturday Selection is part of a new series of events showcasing the variety of the collections held by the museum.

It will give visitors a chance to learn about the museum's collections, as well as see objects that are not often (or perhaps ever) on display.

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ROBOCOP (12A): The 1987 cult-classic gets rebooted for this generation. Virtual unknown Joel Kinnaman (*Safe House*) takes over the role of Alex Murphy (made famous by Peter Weller) – a loving husband, father and all-round good cop – who is critically injured in the line of duty, and gets turned into a part-man, part-robot police officer by multinational conglomerate OmniCorp.

As the corporation envisions a 'Robocop' in every city – and billions for their shareholders – they never counted on one thing: a man inside the machine pursuing justice.

Gary Oldman, Samuel L Jackson, Michael Keaton, Abbie Cornish (*Sucker Punch*) and Jay Baruchel (*This is the End*) – and of course classic robot-villain ED-209 – complete a very impressive looking cast list.

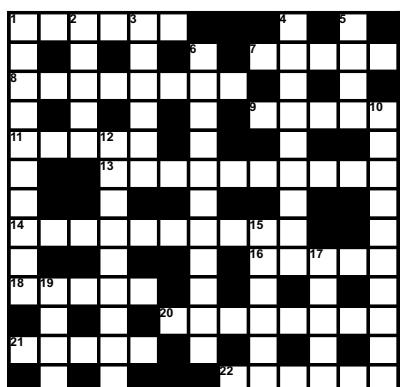
Be prepared for the legendary catchphrase "Dead or alive, you're coming with me" to once again adorn the big screen...

THE DALLAS BUYERS CLUB (15): Matthew McConaughey (*Mud* and *Killer Joe*) cemented his recent hot-streak by snagging a Golden Globe for Best Actor – with this critically-acclaimed turn as a hustling AIDS victim who plays the system to get life-saving medication.

Looks like it will be a shoot-out with 12 Years a Slave's Chiwetel Ejiofor, after McConaughey notched an Oscar nomination for Best Actor as well.



PUZZLE CORNER



THE THINKER

ACROSS

- 1 Collapse when shoe fastening (6)
- 7 Stuck together, though power gone (5)
- 8 Failure made good in stroke of fortune (4,4)
- 9 Seafood I ate on demand (5)
- 11 Prize for super work (5)
- 13 Nice improvement in surplus for the competent (10)
- 14 Man at party (low alcohol) with surveying kit (10)
- 16 Marsh plants initially trimmed at the sides (5)
- 18 Good in Bury, or somewhere else (5)
- 20 Whole number built in (8)
- 21 In this house, landing leads to fireplace (5)
- 22 This will thaw Royal Marine, surprisingly (6)

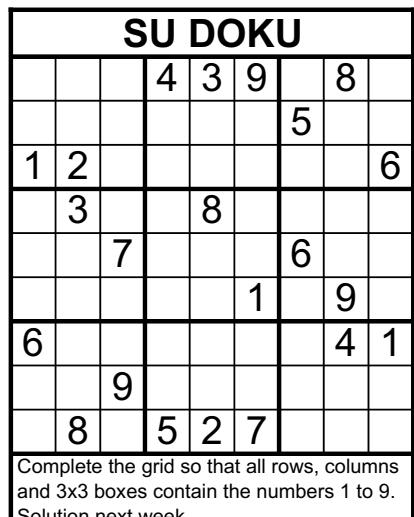
DOWN

- 1 He mails account for advertising man (4,6)
- 2 Traded my car for an old coat (5)
- 3 Angling method describe in account book (6)
- 4 Stole knitting style – one I'd developed (9)
- 5 The priest wore jeans, mostly (4)
- 6 Shifting coffins – glad to get support (11)
- 10 Alas, the hum irritated the old man (10)
- 12 Flier gets cutlery invoice (9)
- 15 Mother, famously in Easter parade (6)
- 17 Fishy sauce with little sugar umbrellas (5)
- 19 Starts using really nice steel containers (4)

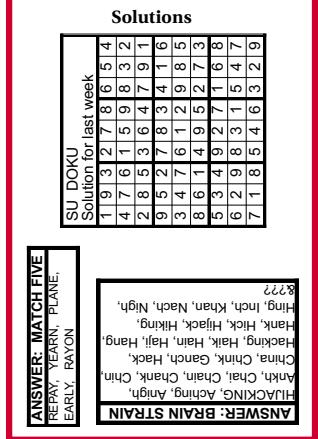
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DOWN: 1. Serum 2. Russian 3. Waff 5. Deadbeat 6. Solar 7. Nowhere 8. Bleak 13. Plethora 14. Thunder 16. Florida 17. Lease 19. Funds 21. Piece 22. Warp



Solution next week.



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Relive Buddy Holly classics

MUSIC

The Grove Theatre
April 25, 7.30pm

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Marc said: "Altogether Buddy recorded 109 songs."

"Obviously, the best-known songs like Heartbeat, Peggy Sue, Oh Boy and That'll Be The Day enjoy a warm reception, but we've been surprised by the depth of knowledge of our audiences."

The cast was spurred to learn the song Valley of Tears following repeated requests for its inclusion when the production first hit the road.

Show producer Michael Taylor said the show 'is a theatrical treat whether you are a fanatical about Buddy Holly or simply want to enjoy a night of hit-packed music performed by superbly-talented musicians'.

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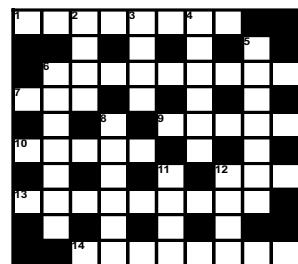
BUDDY Holly – a Legend Reborn is coming to town starring one of the UK's best tribute acts.

Marc Robinson, a winner from ITV's Stars in Their Eyes show, headlines the live production, bringing to life classic hits such as Peggy Sue, That'll be the Day and Oh Boy.

Backed by a band reminiscent of the Crickets in their fifties heyday, 'Buddy Holly – A Legend Reborn' is a 'slice of rock 'n' roll nostalgia that ensures Buddy's legacy of hit songs lives on.'

The show features Marc with a Fender Stratocaster, sporting a pair of heavy-rimmed glasses and sounding like Buddy in his heyday.

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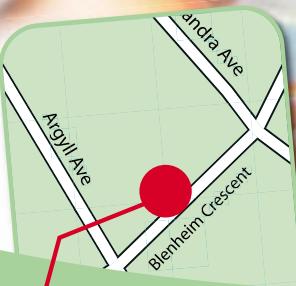
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We currently have vacancies for the following posts:

TEACHER OF MATHEMATICS
(Maternity Cover for at least one year)

Main Pay Scale

Lea Manor High School is an 11 - 16 mixed comprehensive in Luton. Our recent Ofsted in December 2013 stated: 'Lea Manor is a good school. Staff who are new to teaching say they are well supported. This is a friendly school. Through the positive relationships that the school has built over time, students help each other to improve. They listen attentively to their teachers and their classmates and they respect each other's opinions. The school closely checks the progress made by disabled students and those who have special educational needs.'

We are seeking a Mathematics teacher to cover one of our team whilst on maternity leave. If you deliver high quality lessons and have a real passion for teaching and learning, we are the school for you. Job share opportunities are available.

LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT
27.25 hours per week term time only
Level 3: pts 16 - 19 (£10-277 - £11,128) actual salary per annum

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For an application pack please call Karin Currington, Headteacher's PA on 01582 754715 or email: curringtonk@leamanor.luton.sch.uk. Closing date for completed applications is Friday 28th February at 12 noon.

Lea Manor High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Criminal Records Bureau. CVs are not accepted for any positions within the school.



HEAD OF HUMAN RESOURCES



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The College seeks to recruit a fully-qualified and experienced HR professional to lead the small HR team and provide a professional HR service to the organisation. The successful candidate should be a hands-on manager, capable of clear-thinking and precision in the organisation of the work flow of the department.

The College is undertaking a significant change programme on our journey to become an outstanding provider and the Head of Human Resources will have a significant role to play in achieving our objectives.

Closing date: 9am Friday 14th February 2014

Interviews: Monday 24th February 2014

For detailed information and to apply for this job, visit the website <http://www.centralbeds.ac.uk/work-for-us> and download the application form, or e-mail recruitment@centralbeds.ac.uk.
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HMC BOARDING AND DAY
710 Boys; 290 Sixth Form

TEACHER OF GERMAN

An enthusiastic, well qualified linguist is required for September 2014 to join a large and successful modern languages department to teach German, including to native speakers. Though a second language is not a prerequisite it would be an advantage. The School offers French, German and Spanish at IGCSE, A Level and IB as well as an extensive Mandarin programme.

A willingness to take an active part in the life of the School is essential and the ability to coach games would be an advantage.

The School is fully accredited to participate in the ISC NQT Induction Programme in order to provide qualified teacher status.

The School has its own salary scale which is well above the national scale. Accommodation may be available and there is generous fee remission for children of teaching staff of the Harpur Trust Schools in Bedford.

Further details are available from **Sarah Lapidge**,
Bedford School, De Parys Avenue, Bedford MK40 2TU
tel: 01234 362214 fax: 01234 362283
email: slapidge@bedfordschool.org.uk.

A copy of the job description and an application form is available to download from the School's website. Applications should be returned to the Head Master no later than midday on Monday 24th February 2014. Please note that CVs will not be considered.

www.bedfordschool.org.uk

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The successful applicant will be subject to an Enhanced DBS check, references and other checks.

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Closing Date
Monday 24 Feb 2014 (12noon)
Interview Date
Wednesday 5 March 2014



HMC BOARDING AND DAY
710 Boys; 290 Sixth Form

HEAD OF MFL

We wish to appoint a suitably qualified and inspirational linguist to Head the Modern Foreign Languages Department at this highly successful boys' school from September 2014. The School offers French, German and Spanish at IGCSE, A Level and IB as well as an extensive Mandarin programme.

A willingness to take an active part in the life of this large boarding and day School is essential. The School has its own salary scale which is well above the national scale. Help with accommodation may be available and there is generous fee remission for children of teaching staff of the Harpur Trust Schools in Bedford.

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For further details and an application pack please visit: www.bedfordschool.org.uk/support-staff-vacancies

Completed applications should be emailed to: hr@bedfordschool.org.uk or posted to Anna Smith, HR Adviser, The Bursary Bedford School, 10 Glebe Road Bedford MK40 2PL.

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[For full details visit our website www.can.org.uk](http://www.can.org.uk)

CAN offers competitive salaries, 24 and 26 days annual leave depending on post, plus statutory days, pension scheme and development opportunities.

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If you are interested please forward your CV and covering letter by e-mail to John Brett, Director of Operations & Performance, Phoenix Primary Care Limited. Informal enquiries welcome, please call 07872905361 or 0121 325 2095. e-mail john.brett@walsall.nhs.uk

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Teacher of English (Maternity Cover)

May 2014



Bedford Modern is a friendly, happy and supportive HMC co-educational independent day school, educating 1200 students from age 7 to 18.

We are seeking to appoint a passionate and dynamic English graduate to cover maternity leave beginning May 2014, although there may be some flexibility with regard to the start date and there is the possibility of this becoming a permanent position. You will be required to teach English Language and Literature at KS3, KS4 and KS5. NQTs and experienced teachers are invited to apply.

The School has an exceptionally strong and well-resourced English Faculty. In 2013 the Faculty achieved 76% A*-A at IGCSE and 66% A* at A Level Literature.

Salaries are based on The Harpur Trust Teaching Scale which is above the national average. All posts are subject to enhanced DBS clearance.

Further information, including a detailed job description and application pack is available from our website at www.bedmod.co.uk.

Closing date: Mid-day 24 February 2014
Interview date: 03 March 2014



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Interviews: 25th & 26th February 2014



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Administrative Assistant

L3 (actual salary - £14,304)

Term time only + 5 training days

We are looking to appoint a full time Administrative Assistant to support with general administration. This role is 37 hours per week, 8.30 to 16.30 Monday to Thursday and 8.30 to 16.00 Friday. The successful candidate must be proficient in Microsoft Office packages.

Closing date: Friday 21 February 2014

English, Maths, Languages Tutors

£25 per hour

We are looking to appoint maths and/or English Tutors on an ad-hoc basis, to work with our students one to one or in small groups. The successful candidates will have a degree in maths or English, along with teaching experience.

In addition, we require Tutors who speak additional languages; Turkish, Portuguese, Dutch or Urdu, to prepare individuals or small groups of students for their languages GCSE in their mother tongue.

For more information and to apply, please see our website at www.hays.co.uk/jobs/ashcroft or call Brett Coventry on 020 8872 5707. Email: ashcroft@hays.com

Ashcroft High School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expect all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the DBS (Disclosure Barring Service)

GLW

Key Stage 2 Teacher

September 2014



Bedford Modern is a HMC co-educational independent day school, educating 1200 students from age 7 to 18. We wish to appoint an excellent Key Stage 2 Teacher to join our busy and thriving Junior School team.

You will be an inspirational classroom practitioner with the ability to motivate and enthuse children. You will be able to challenge children through innovative activities and be passionate about their learning. You should be eager to develop yourself professionally and be willing to make a positive impact on the School.

We are a friendly, enthusiastic and hardworking staff, working as part of a supportive and cohesive team in a school where the children are happy and keen to learn.



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Further information, including a detailed job description and application pack is available from our website at www.bedmod.co.uk.

Closing date: Mid-day 21 February 2014
Interview date: 11 March 2014

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- Well behaved children
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Visits to the school are highly recommended. Please call Pat Addison on 01582 616101 to arrange an appointment.

Closing date for this post is Friday 21st February 2014

Interviews are to be held on Tuesday 25th February 2014

CVs will not be accepted for any posts based in schools. The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment. Applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening appropriate to the post, including checks with past employers and the Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS).

To apply for this role, visit www.luton.gov.uk/jobs & click on the link to the Teaching and Schools Vacancies. Job Reference: 100842

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To continue Etonbury’s ongoing success we are looking to recruit two dynamic, energetic, enthusiastic and optimistic leaders who can lead the school in the next exciting stage of its development. The middle years age range will grow dramatically in the next few years and we need excellent leaders who can expand the age range to encompass 13 to 16 year olds.

PRINCIPAL

(REQUIRED FOR SEPTEMBER 2014)

LEADERSHIP SCALE 15 – 27 (DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE) ISR WILL CHANGE AS THE ACADEMY EXPANDS

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There will be tours of Etonbury Academy for prospective candidates on Tuesday 25th February 2014, Thursday 27th February 2014 and Friday 28th February 2014.

If you would like to arrange a tour on one of these dates or would like to speak to one of the Executive Principals about this role, please contact Lisa Little, e-mail: llittle@bemat.org.uk in the first instance.

ASSOCIATE PRINCIPAL

(REQUIRED FOR SEPTEMBER 2014)

LEADERSHIP SCALE L10-14

The post holder will take a strategic lead on attitudes to learning, pupil engagement, improving teaching and developing our excellent ethos. This is an exciting opportunity to help lead our rapid growth. The post holder will be working alongside our new Principal, as we develop to a 9-16 school that provides an outstanding education for our local community.

Should you wish to arrange a tour of the Academy or would like to speak to the current Principal or one of the Executive Principals about this role, please contact Lisa Little, e-mail: llittle@bemat.org.uk in the first instance.

Closing dates:

Principal - 3rd March 2014, with interviews week commencing 17th March 2014.

Associate Principal - 10th March 2014, with interviews week commencing 24th March 2014. Full details and application packs can be found at

<http://www.etonbury.com/vacancies.html>. Completed applications should be sent to Lisa Little, e-mail: llittle@bemat.org.uk.

BEMAT is a unique alliance, made up of Gothic Mede Academy, Gravenhurst Academy, Etonbury Academy, Robert Bloomfield Academy and Samuel Whitbread Academy, which is committed to collegiate educational provision across our community. We take collective responsibility for the success of all children through the delivery of a commonly designed curriculum from 2+ to 19. We are committed to the safeguarding and promotion of children's welfare and all job offers are subject to satisfactory DBS. The successful candidate will be expected to work across BEMAT Academies / Schools as required.

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Closing Date: 24 February 2014 at 12 noon

Interview date: w/c 24 February 2014

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Vacancy ID: 100808

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When you send your CV off to a potential employer, remember that you won't be the only one. Hundreds of other people could be applying for the job as well.

So what are you going to do to make you stand out from the crowd? Why should an employer take a chance on you instead of someone else?

Your CV is your first real chance to sell yourself to a potential employer. Most employers will scan through a CV in about 30 seconds so you need to grab their attention from the start - and make them want to invite you for an interview.

There are five main areas to consider when writing your CV:

- Make sure your CV looks the part. Your CV should look clean and tidy - don't scrawl it out on a piece of A4 paper. If you haven't got access to a PC or printer, ask a friend or use your local library. Use a good quality paper and steer clear of fancy borders and front covers.

- Watch out for silly spelling and grammar mistakes. They make you look lazy and show employers that you don't really care. It's not difficult to do a spell check on your PC and if you're really stuck then don't just guess, reach for a dictionary. Get a friend to read through your CV for you - a second opinion is always useful.

- Make sure your CV is well organised. When you list your previous jobs, make sure the dates are correct and try not to leave any gaps. If you took time out to go travelling then say so - employers won't mark you down just because you've tried something new.

- Don't waffle. Remember that employers don't have time to read every word of your CV. Long paragraphs and sentences put people off, so try bullet-points to break up text. Make sure your CV is no longer than two pages long - employers don't want your life history, they just want to see that you've got what it takes to do the job.

- Don't list any failures. Employers have enough trouble finding someone who is right for the job - they don't need help finding reasons not to employ you. If you have to include a mistake from your past, make sure you show the employer that you learnt something from the experience.



Summary/professional profile

This is the No1 area for selling yourself. Set out your main skills and personal qualities but keep it interesting and tight - one paragraph should do to cover everything.

Education and qualifications

List your qualifications and education history, with the most recent first. You don't need to list the grades for each exam you have passed unless they were exceptional results - simply listing the number and type of exams you've passed is fine. Also, list any relevant professional organisations you belong to and training courses you have been on.

Work experience

Start with your most recent position and work backwards, giving addresses along with start and finish dates. Set out your main responsibilities, duties and most importantly achievements, along with any skills you picked up or improvements you made while you were there. This is a really important section in your CV so make it count - but don't waffle.

If you have not had a full-time job before, detail any part-time jobs you may have held or any placement you have been on.

Other skills

Set out any computer skills you may have and the software you are most familiar with. Can you type, do shorthand or speak a foreign language fluently? If you have a driving licence, let the employer know. If it's clean, tell them.

Interests & hobbies

Briefly list what you get up to in your spare time. Put down any positions you hold in clubs or associations, along with any responsibilities and achievements.

References

Make sure you have at least two people (including one from your previous or current job) who will tell an employer what a thoroughly nice person you are and what a potential asset to the company you would be.

Keep it simple

Personal details

Start off with your full name, address, home and mobile phone numbers and email address. If you are offered an interview, the employer will want to get hold of you so give him as many options as possible.

If you want to list them now make sure you include their name, job title, postal & e-mail address and contact phone numbers. Alternatively, just put "Available on request" so the employer knows to follow up references at a later date.

Add a covering letter

The main aim of a covering letter is to encourage an employer to give you a chance. You want them to read your CV, so sell it to them. You should always enclose a covering letter when applying for a job - most employers won't consider you unless you do.

A covering letter should let the employer know why you are interested in the job and why you think you can do it.

The hints and tips below should point you in the right direction:

- Keep it simple. A covering letter should be short and to the point - no more than six paragraphs.
- Mention the job. If you are replying to an advert, mention what the job is and where you saw it. The company may be advertising for other positions and it may not be clear which job you are applying for.
- Sell yourself. Explain why you are the perfect candidate for the job. Show off your strengths and experience. Refer to your CV - if it goes missing then at least an employer will know that you've sent it.
- Check it for mistakes. A silly spelling mistake in a covering letter is likely to cost you your chance of getting an interview. Also, make sure it is addressed to the right person in the right department.

A covering letter can be just as important as a CV in getting you an interview. It's your first point of contact with your potential employer - so make it count.

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AUDI'S A GAME

Audi's second stab at fostering a supermini dynasty is called the A1 and the recipe is a far simpler one than that which resulted in the A2 some ten years previously. The hope within Audi is that the A1 can stand out from the pack with its prestige badge and premium cabin quality while holding its own with solid mechanics borrowed from the Volkswagen Polo. It sounds like a plan that will have the rest of the contenders at the fashionable end of the supermini sector worried.

We've seen all of the engines before elsewhere in the Audi and VW group line-ups. The TSI petrol engines use turbocharging to compensate for their modest capacities, the 1.2 TSI achieving 86PS with 160Nm of torque and the entry-level 1.4 TSI chipping in with 122PS and 200Nm. There's also a 185PS version of this 1.4 that uses both supercharger and turbocharger allied with a clever 7-speed DSG semi-automatic gearbox. The diesel option is a 1.6-litre common-rail injection TDI

unit with 105PS and 250Nm. Both of the entry-level petrol engines return very similar economy and emissions figures of about 55mpg and 119g/km. The diesel is substantially better with an excellent 70.6mpg and a CO₂ output of 105g/km.

A conventional supermini shape is adopted by the A1, which isn't a great surprise given its mechanical similarity to the largely conventional VW Polo. It also means that the A1 gains an edge over rivals from the trendier end of the supermini sector with a 267-litre boot that expands to 920 litres with the rear seat backs folded.

The exterior of the car is crawling with recognisable Audi design cues and although you couldn't call the looks adventurous, the A1 has got the combination of neat proportions and engaging detailing that Audi does so well. The one feature that obviously breaks from the Audi master plan is the roof arch which can be specified in a different colour to the rest of the bodywork.

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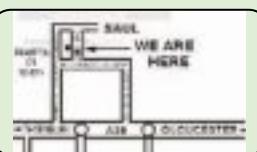
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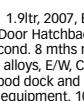
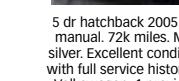
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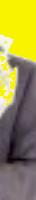


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BACK IN ACTION: New boy and ex Arsenal defender Jernade Meade got some much-needed game time in Luton development squad's 2-0 win against Barton Rovers in the

Postponement adds

HATTERS

SKRILL PREMIER LUTON TOWN TAMWORTH

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BY DAN PALMER
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HATTERS manager John Still admitted it is 'tough' having Saturdays off after another weekend fixture fell foul of the weather yesterday.

Luton were due to host Tamworth in the Skrill Premier at Kenilworth Road but the recent torrential rainfall on Saturday morning won the day again - causing a postponement at a time when Luton could do with continuing their impressive form of late.

The fixture with the Lambs went the same way as the scheduled home game against Wrexham on January 18 and last Saturday's

trip to Dartford on February 1, creating a backlog of games.

For some teams postponements occur at an opportune time but the high flying Hatters do not want disruption as they plot promotion back to the Football League.

"Every now and then a game will be off and you'll think 'that's not bad' but when you're involved in football, I call it a Saturday sport," said Still.

"I know you play midweek, but you can get by if you don't play midweek. It's tough when you don't play on a Saturday."

"It really is tough, but what can we do?"

Luton's victory over Barnet on New Year's Day was played in monsoon like conditions at Kenilworth Road, with some suggesting that 2014's curtain raiser would have been postponed had the BT Sport cameras not been there to broadcast the game live.

Still admitted that the decision to play on may

have impacted the Kenilworth Road pitch negatively in the long run.

"The weather's been absolutely atrocious," he said. "Even when you see games that do go ahead – there was one on TV the other night – the pitches have been shocking."

"Sometimes you are pushed to get a game on, a little bit like our Barnet game if you like."

"It ruins the pitch then and you've got a problem longer term. If the game against Barnet had been off, we might have got one or two games on that have been off, that type of thing."

"You can't do anything. It's not ideal, but it's not ideal for everybody. You wait for the weather to brighten up and go again."

Postponements mean extra midweek fixtures – a situation Still said suited him, despite the repercussions of a disrupted training schedule.

"I've always been comfortable playing Saturday and Tuesday," said Still.

"We haven't got that all the time, there are

Luton seven up as Rui slip to defeat in latest game

RUGBY UNION

BY TIM BARTLETT
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Luton RFC were in delicious form yesterday afternoon, running in seven unanswered tries and completing a home and double against their London 1 rivals Ruislip, having beaten them 51-23 earlier in the season.

Andrew Weston and Dave Brennan scored first half tries to establish a 10-0 lead after 40 minutes. Second-half pressure paid as Doug Fluker, Brandon Lewsey and Tom Mahendren scored, and Jake Hobbs went over twice, with Rik Hobbs adding two conversions.

"That was best the performance by a Luton side this season," said Luton's Back's Coach Nick Rhodes.

Playing up the slope and into the wind, Luton did well to be ahead at half time, but the visitors couldn't stay with Luton in the second period as they played downhill, with the wind.

"It was a very controlled performance," said Rhodes. "If we'd controlled all our league games like we did this one, we'd be top and out of sight by now."

Luton have the East Midlands Cup Final to look forward to and seven league games where their future is very much in their hands, as they still have the top two in the league to play.

"It's going to come down to the last three games of the season, if we beat Westcliff and Eton Manor we're in the play-offs," said Rhodes.

Dunstablians travelled to Newbold on Avon in Midlands 2, both about 20 points clear of danger, but a

similar distance from a promotion place, and were well beaten by Newbold 36-3.

"The floodgates opened in the closing stages of the second half, after they'd scored their second try," said Dees Back Campbell Haig.

"Prior to that it was anyones game. The elements played their part, it was impossible to kick it out, it [the ball] just came back to you, you had to run it out, and that takes it toll on the players physically."

Stockwood Park travelled north to play Bedford-based Queens in Midlands 3 East (South), on the back of three straight league wins in 2014, scoring two hundred points in three games and were beaten 22-7, by a very competitive Queens side who were still smarting from the 40-22 defeat inflicted on them back in November by Jason Carr's Stockwood side.

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Bedfordshire Senior Cup on Tuesday night.



DISAPPOINTING: Hatters boss John Still says games being called off on a Saturday is more frustrating than midweek matches being abandoned.

to Luton fixture backlog

breaks in between, but there are Saturday-Tuesdays.

"Particularly with the break we've had I think going into that could be a little bit of a plus."

"As long as you're not doing it every week, if you do too many Saturdays and Tuesdays you start to lose a little bit in training."

"If you play on a Saturday you can't do much on a Monday, and you do a warm down on the Wednesday after the Tuesday game before you come in on the Thursday."

Weather permitting, Luton are due to take on Macclesfield Town at Moss Rose on Tuesday night, before entertaining Hereford at Keilworth Road next Saturday.

Meanwhile, Luton's development squad have booked a Bedfordshire Senior Cup semi-final spot against Barton Rovers thanks to a 2-0 victory over Leighton Town on Tuesday night.

A first-half penalty from Jon Shaw had the Hatters on their way before David Viana struck with 14 minutes of the game left to send the Town through to the last four of the competition.

New boys Fraser Franks and Jernade Meade were given time

on the pitch as the tie gave Luton the opportunity to give crucial minutes to some players in need of a run-out, including defensive pair Anthony Charles and Alex Lacey who both got 90 minutes in the back-line.

The Town had the lead seven minutes before the interval when Franks' goal-bound header was handballed on the goal-line and Shaw drilled home the subsequent penalty.

After the break the Hatters continued to dominate and Viana popped up with a second on 76 minutes.

"I wasn't there, Hakan Hayrettin took the game and Terry Harris and I went to look at future targets," said Still.

"But after hearing the report from Hak, Jeff Wood and Dave Richardson, the boys played the game in atrocious conditions and they played the conditions very well after the first 20 minutes."

"It was game time for lots of players who really needed it. Listening to what the lads said I was really, really pleased. There was professionalism and it was good for them to get 90 minutes."

The clash with Barton is scheduled to take place at Sharpenhoe Road on March 4, with a 7.45pm kick-off.



GAME TIME: Anthony Charles needed time on the pitch.

Dunstable's promotion bid hits a snag with second loss

LOCAL FOOTBALL

BY NICK SMITH

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PROMOTION chasers Dunstable Town fell to a second successive defeat in a bad tempered game at home to Egham and lost top spot to Rugby Town.

The fixture card for the Calor Southern Division One Central was reduced to just two games due to the poor weather from the last week.

The top two teams and runaway leaders Dunstable and Rugby were both in action. Rugby claimed top spot with a 6-1 demoli-

sion of fifth placed Royston Town, while Dunstable were undone by the visitors, falling to a 1-0 defeat.

Dunstable had two men sent off and coach Tony Fontanelle sent to the stands in what was a fiery match.

The visitors also had a man sent off late on for a second bookable offence.

In total, eight cards were given out over the course of the game.

The first half was a dull affair, with both sides trying to get a stranglehold on the game.

Dunstable perhaps had the best of the chances before the break, with Tony Burnett and Adam Watkins going close as

they looked to put the visitors under the kosh.

After losing 2-0 to local rivals Barton Rovers midweek, The Blues were looking to get back to winning ways and keep their place at the top of the table.

This was made far more difficult with 58 minutes gone, when Lee Roach was sent off for a two footed challenge.

With Dunstable down to ten men, the visitors pushed as they looked to take advantage.

They were rewarded in the 83rd minute, when Mo Harkin stuck the ball past Jamie Head for the decisive goal.

After scoring, a flurry of cards were given.

Ryan received a straight red in controversial circumstances after 88 minutes and Fontanelle was then dismissed from the bench soon after.

Then, in stoppage time, Kyle Anthony was sent off for Egham for a second bookable offence.

Barton Rovers were due to host Marlow yesterday, but bad weather saw the game called off.

Both sides are next in action on Tuesday in the league.

Barton Rovers host fourth placed Beaconsfield SYCOB and will move above them with a win.

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Turner prize an outside bet for title contenders

IN CHARGE: John Still



HATTERS

BY DAN PALMER
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LUTON Town boss John Still said that the chance of signing Rhys Turner was only an 'outside bet' after the teenage striker opted to move to League One Oldham Athletic instead.

The Hatters chief admitted that he had enquired about adding the youngster to his title challenging squad but the 18-year-old signed with the Latics after leaving Skrill North side Stockport County for an undisclosed fee.

Turner scored 63 goals during a prolific season for Myerscough College and the England College Team during the 2012-13 season, a strike-rate which earned his move to former Football League side Stockport in the summer.

He continued to find the net for the 'other Hatters' – bagging six goals from 14 starts for Stockport despite often being used in a more wide position.

"He's a striker we've seen that we liked, and we did speak to him," said Still.

"He chose to go to Oldham which is quite close to where he comes from."

"We were only really an outside chance, at his age he probably wanted to stay closer to home."

"But it was something we did have an interest in."

Still hasn't completely ruled out adding any further names to his squad using the loan window, which remains open despite Transfer Deadline Day bringing an end to the chance for permanent signings last week.

"The window opened again for loans on Friday," said the boss.

"I don't envisage doing any business in that area if I'm being honest, but things can pop up."

"We have targets who we would like to get eventually, not necessarily now."

"For whatever reason they could become available on loan with a deal to take them at the end of the season."

"We'll review that as we go but there's certainly nothing that's

banging on our door at the moment."

Elsewhere, Hatters fans can expect more players to join the growing list of squad members who have been loaned out in order to ensure more regular games of football.

Still's thinking is that when this legion returns, he will have a large squad of players all with games under their belt in time for the crucial run-in at the end of the season.

"I'm not saying there might not be one or two more outs in the window," said Still.

"We still have one or two that we feel could benefit from some games and if the right opportunity comes along, we'd probably do that."

"If I'm being honest I'd like everyone back here with a dozen games to go, knowing that they've had a lot of football."

"If we can make that happen we will do."

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